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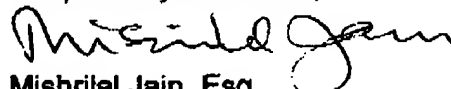
LETTER

(Via fax 571-273-8300)

A request for continued examination (RCE) was filed on February 14, 2005 in the above-identified application. A fee of \$900.00 was remitted with the request for RCE (\$790.00 for RCE and \$110.00 for one month extension of time). However, due to the new fee schedule a fee of \$120.00 should have been paid for one month extension of time. Thus the payment was in deficit of \$10.00 as advised through a phone call on March 10, 2005 from the USPTO. This deficit amount is hereby being remitted via credit card payment (Form attached).

Processing of RCE is respectfully requested. We sincerely regret the oversight of new fee schedule.

Respectfully submitted,



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